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1. INDOCHINA

VN NATL ASSY CONCLUDES SESSION, NAMES HANOI LEADERS TO MOST TOP MINISTERIAL POSTS; PRG'S NGUYEN THI BINH BECOMES EDUCATION MINISTER (AP SUN 7/4, NYT 7/4). NVN/SVN OFFICIALLY REUNITED WITH HANOI CAPITAL, FORMER NVN FLAG, SYMBOL, ANTHEM APPROVED FOR WHOLE COUNTRY. AS EXPECTED, ALL BUT 1 HIGH GOVT OFFICE WENT TO NVN LEADERS; PRG'S NGUYEN HUU THO (AP, NYT 7/3; WP 7/3). MOST OBSERVERS THINK TOP 5 IN 11-MAN POLITBURO ARE LE DUAN, TRUONG CHINH, PHAM VAN DONG, PHAN HUNG, GEN GIAP (AP, NYT 7/3).

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SUN'S TREWHITT (7/3) SAYS NATL ASSY ACTIONS AMOUNTED TO RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE ELECTIONS. NOTES SOME SURPRISE AT SHORT SHRIFT TO PRG. QUOTES SOURCES THAT LONG ROAD AHEAD FOR CULTURAL, ECON, IDEOLOGICAL, POLITICAL UNIFICATION, AND LE DUAN SAID BLUNTLY THAT SVN WILL WAVE TO ADJUST. STATES US ANALYSTS BELIEVE HANOI LEADERSHIP STILL ASSESSING POSTURE TOWARD US. OBSERVES LE DUAN SET OUT FOREIGN POLICY THAT DREW CLEAR DISTINCTION BETWEEN DEVELOPED CAPITALIST COUNTRIES, DEVELOPING NATIONS; CAREFULLY CHARTED RELS WITH PRC, USSR. CONSIDERS POLICY HOLDING PATTERN. QUOTES DOS' FUNSETH THAT SECRET EXCHANGES CONTINUING, MOSTLY IN CONTEXT ACCOUNTING FOR MIAS.

ENTIRE LEADERSHIP HOA HAO BUDDHIST SECT, TENS OF THOUSANDS FOLLOWERS, ARRESTED IN VN ACCORDING LEADER'S DAUGHTER IN PARIS WHO APPEALS FOR FATHER'S RELEASE (AP, NYT 7/3).

UK RECOGNIZES NEW SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VN (WP 7/5).

2. SINGAPORE

SIMONS (WP 7/4) REPORTS PM LEE'S PLANS FOR "RUGGED SOCIETY" EVOLVED RATHER INTO "COMFORT-SEEKING" SOCIETY. PM INTENDS REVERSE PREVALENT ATTITUDES, DEMONSTRATE MANUAL LABOR HAS DIGNITY/VALUE FOR SOCIETY. LEE OPENED "USE YOUR HANDS" CAMPAIGN IN JUNE, VISITED NUMBER SCHOOLS WITH CABINET MINISTERS. GOS PHOTO SHOWS PM MOPPING UP SCHOOL FLOOR TO EMPHASIZE NO ONE ABOVE USING HANDS. TEACHERS ESPECIALLY CASTIGATED FOR INFLUENCING YOUNGSTERS' DISDAIN TOWARD BLUE-COLLAR JOBS. UNWILLINGNESS YOUNG SINGAPOREANS DO MANUAL LABOR HAS ALSO FORCED GOS IMPORT THOUSANDS INDONESIAN/MALAYSIAN WORKERS WHO SEND EARNINGS BACK HOME, ADD TO SINGAPORE'S ECON PROBLEMS.

3. AUSTRALIA

FRASER, FON MIN PEACOCK WILL VISIT US 7/27 AT INVITATION PRES FORD. PM WILL HOLD TALKS WITH FORD, HAK, CON-
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GRESSIONAL LEADERS, SENIOR OFFICIALS. GOVT STATEMENTS SAY TRIP WILL ENABLE FRASER DISCUSS RECENT PRC/JAPAN VISITS. HE WILL ALSO INAUGURATE CHAIR OF AUSTRALIAN STUDIES AT HARVARD 7/30 AS AUSSIE'S PRINCIPAL BICEN GIFT (REUTER CANBERRA).

IMF APPROVES 379 MIL DOL LOAN FOR AUSTRALIA WHICH INTENDED TIDE COUNTRY OVER DROP IN EXPORT EARNINGS (WSJ).

4. PACIFIC ISLANDS

SEPARATIST GROUPS FROM MARSHALL/PALAU ISLANDS CONTINUE PRESS FOR INDEPENDENCE, PRESENT CATALOGUE OF GRIEVANCES BEFORE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. PETITIONERS/LAWYERS SAY VIGOROUS PUSH WILL COME THIS YR, CAPITALIZING ON NORTHERN MARIANAS AGREEMENT/US BICEN TO ARGUE FOR INDEPENDENCE. 'SG PROPOSED TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT BE REPLACED BY COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION; TOLD COUNCIL IF ISLANDS

DO NOT ACCEPT ITS TERMS, THEY COULD REGISTER VIEWS IN PLEBISCITE (TELTSCH, NYT 7/4).

ADB APPROVES FIRST TECHNICAL GRANT TO GILBERT ISLANDS FOR STUDY INTER-ISLAND SHIPPING NEEDS (AP WP 7/3).

5. INDONESIA

INDONESIAN OIL/MINING MIN MOHAMMED SADLI SERVES "FINAL ORDER," RETROACTIVE TO JAN 1, ON FOM OIL PRODUCERS OPERATING IN COUNTRY. ALL OIL PRODUCED IN INDONESIA UNDER PRODUCTION-SHARING CONTRACTS WILL NOW BE DIVIDED 85 PCT FOR GOI, 15 PCT FOR FOM PRODUCER. RULING WORDED TO ALLOW US-BASED OIL FIRMS CLAIM INCREASED TAX CREDITS UP TO 2.5 BIL DOLS ANNUALLY IF FORMULA ACCEPTED BY US TAX AUTHORITIES (UPI JOC; WSJ).

6. AUSTRALIA (ADD)

PRIMARY INDUSTRY MIN SINCLAIR, ON RETURN FROM WORLD TOUR, SAID PROSPECTS GOOD FOR INCREASE AUSSIE BEEF EXPORTS ABOVE 1975 LEVEL TO JAPAN, US, EC (JOC, SYDNEY).
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7. JAPAN

POLICE FRIDAY ARRESTED TWO MORE PERSONS INVOLVED LOCKHEED CASE. PROSECUTORS CHARGED FORMER MARUBENI EXEC HIROSHI ITOH WITH PERJURY IN FEB 27 DIET COMTE HEARING, AND TACHIKAWA, TOP AIDE TO YOSHIO KODAMA, WITH FORCING PRESIDENT RESIGN IN TAX EVASION CASE, POWER STRUGGLE IN HOUSING CORP (AP, SUN 7/3, WSJ 7/3, NYT 7/4).

POLICE ALSO SAID FRIDAY TWO FORMER ANA EXECS ARRESTED EARLIER CONFESSED RECEIVING KICKBACKS FROM LOCKHEED FOR EACH TRISTAR AIRLINE BOUGHT (WP 7/3).

UPI (WASHINGTON) CITES COURCES WHO SAID MONDAY FACTS

ABOUT ALLEGED 25 MILLION DOL LOCKHEED PAYOFFS IN 15 COUNTRIES WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC UNTIL AFTER FALL ELECTIONS JAPAN, FRG. NOTES GOVT, INDUSTRY, PRIVATE SOURCES SUGGEST EXTORTION MAY HAVE PLAYED ROLE IN SOME LOCKHEED PAYMENTS TO FOREIGN GOVT OFFICIALS (NYT).

8. CHINA

AP (TOKYO) CITES NCNA REPORT THAT USLO'S GATES AND WIFE GAVE 7/3 RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE US BICEN. AGENCY SAID GUESTS INCLUDED FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER LI, WANG HAI-JUNG, AND HSIAO PENG (NYT 7/4).

"PARADE" (WP 7/4) NOTES WORD FROM CCP CENTRAL CMTE'S NI CHICH-FU THAT CHOU EN-LAI LEFT NO WILL.

AP (TORRANCE, CALIF) REPORTS VENERIS' FAMILY EXPECT SEE HIM WITHIN MONTH OR TWO. SISTER DOUBTS HE WILL STAY, SINCE HAS FAMILY IN PRC--BUT POINTS OUT "THAT'S HIS DECISION" TO MAKE (SUN).

PRC'S SHARE OF HK OIL PRODUCTS MARKET ROSE ENORMOUSLY IN 1974-75, LOOKS LIKELY CONTINUE DOING SO, ACCORDING LATEST BULLETIN OF AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN HK. JOC REPORTS NOTES PRC HAS MADE CLEAR IT INTENDS SUPPLYING HK FULL RANGE PETROLEUM/FUEL PRODUCTS; ALSO CITES UNCONFIRMED RE-UNCLASSIFIED

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PORTS PRC INTERESTED IN SUPPLYING JET FUEL AT HK'S KAI TAK AIRPORT, AND IN SEEKING STORAGE FACILITY THERE.

REUTER (TAIPEI) REPORTS 7/6 ANNOUNCEMENT BY ROC OLYMPIC CMTE THAT ITS DELEGATION WILL SET OUT FOR MONTREAL GAMES THURS, IN DEFIANCE OF CANADIAN BAN ON TAIWAN ATHLETES' COMPETING. OIC PRES KILLANIN WARNED MONDAY THAT CONDITIONS SET BY GOC FOR PARTICIPATION ROC ATHLETES ARE "ESPECIALLY DANGEROUS" FOR FUTURE OF OLYMPICS. TRUDEAU CLAIMS OIC ITSELF REQUIRED AT 1960 ROME OLYMPICS THAT ROC COMPETE UNDER NAME "TAIWAN," SUGGESTS THIS SOLUTION AT MONTREAL GAMES (UPI, NYT). PHINQ DISPATCH CITES PRC MESSAGE TO OIC INSISTING ROC NOT BE ALLOED COMPETE. REPORTS FEELING AMONG SOME OIC MEMBERS THAT IF OLYMPIC MOVEMENT YIELDS TO CANADA, WILL MAKE HARDER KEEP POLITICS OUT IN FUTURE. MONDAY UPI (LONDON) NOTED KILLANIN FEELING THAT OLYMPIC GAMES DAMAGED BY GOC'S "POLITICAL INTERFERENCE" (WP, WSTAR). SUNDAY AP (LONDON) REPORTED INTL AMATEUR ATHLETIC FED AND INTL JUDO FED CRITICISM OF GOC STAND ON ROC PARTICIPATION (WP).

UPI PHOTO (WP 7/4) SHOWS ROC TRACK/FIELD ENTRIES RUNNING

LAPS AT UCLA'S DRAKE STADIUM IN PREPARATION FOR OLYMPICS.
SATURDAY NYT'S CADY REPORTED DISPLEASURE OVER CANADA'S ACTIONS APPEARED TO HAVE TOUCHED OFF US 7/2 THREAT TO PULL AMERICAN ATHLETES FROM MONTREAL GAMES IF IOC WITHDREW SPONSORSHIP (ALSO WSTAR 7/3). BUT USOC RETRACTED THREAT AFTER LEARNED IOC WOULD NOT REMOVE ITS SANCTION (WSTAR 7/4).

REUTER (PEKING) REPORTS PEKING RADIO'S 7/6 ANNOUNCEMENT DEATH OF CHU TEH.

9. PHILIPPINES

HAY AB, R&R CENTR NEAR BAGUIO, SOUGHT BY PHILS IN NEGOTS

ON BASES. MAIN DEMAND FOR REDUCTION 200,000 ACRES NOW OCCUPIED BY US (NYT 7/4).

IN LENGTHY FRONT-PG ARTICLE ON CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL, WP UNCLASSIFIED

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(CHAPMAN, LARDNER, PINCUS, STERN) NOTES INTER ALIA THAT AMEMBASSY MANILA PAID FOR 60 CARTON BOXES FOR CODEL WOLFF, AND PRESTIGIOUS TEAM OF MD'S HEADED BY KENNEDY SUBCMTE STAFF MEMBER REFUSED TURN IN UNSPENT PESOS. TRAVEL INFO OBTAINED FROM DOS UNDER FOI.

MAIDENBERG (NYT 7/5) NOTES HEAVY TRADING IN SUGAR FUTURES BUT STABLE PRICES. GIVES ACCEPTED REASONS, INCLUDING LONG-TERM CONTRACTS RECENTLY SIGNED BETWEEN SEVERAL LARGE US FIRMS, PHILS, OTHER PRODUCERS.

10. GENERAL

EIGHT ASIAN IMF MEMBERS AT 3-DAY KL CONFERENCE EXPRESS CONCERN THAT NEXT YR'S FUNDING OF WB AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO IMF OPNS WILL BE INADEQUATE TO HANDLE FINANCIAL NEEDS DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. ATTENDING WERE MALAYSIA, BURMA, FIJI INDONESIA, SK, SINGAPORE, THAILAND, NEPAL (NYT SPEC 7/5).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

11. KOREA

MAXINE CHESHIRE (WP 7/4) NOTES SUZI THOMSON, SPEAKER ALBERT'S KOREAN-BORN AIDE, BEING HAMPERED IN SEARCH FOR NEW JOB BY FACT FBI "HAS TAKEN AN INTEREST" IN HER PARTY-GIVING ACTIVITIES. QUOTES REP WIGGENS (CAL) DISCLOSURE SHE DISCUSSED JOB-HUNTING WITH HIM LAST WEEK--HINTED SHE WOULD LIKE HIM CALL JUSTICE DEPT TO GET ,THIS FBI THING"

OVER WITH--"BUT I DIDN'T TAKE THE HINT."

BICENTENNIAL MESSAGE FROM REV SUN MYUNG MOON (FULL-PG AD
WSTAR 7/3) WARNS AMERICA WILL FAIL IN THIRD GREAT CRISIS,
GROWING CONFRONTATION AGAINST ATHEISTIC, TOTALITARIAN
FORCE OF COMMUNISM, UNLESS CONTINUES CENTER HER DEMOCRACY
UPON GOD. INCLUDED COUPON REQUEST MORE INFO ON HOW COMMU-
NISM THREATENS AMERICAN FREEDOM.

CHURL SOON YIM (PRES CHUNG-ANG U) LETTER TO NYT (7/4).
RECALLS HARD LESSON SK LEARNED IN BRUTAL WAR 26 YRS AGO,
THAT COMMUNISTS PREYONMIL WEAKNESS, SOCIAL DISORDER, IN-
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ERTIA AND COMPLACENCY. PRAISES PRES PARK POLICIES TO BUILD
STRONG, EFFICIENT, UNCORRUPT, VIABLE GOVT THAT CAN COPE
WITH "STAGGERING" THREAT OF NEW WAR VOICED BY KIM IL SUNG
AFTER FALL OF VN LAST YR. STATES DISAPPOINTMENT THAT EF-

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FORTS PROTECT FREEDOM, HUMAN RIGHTS FROM COMMUNIST ATTACK
MISINTERPRETED AS OPPRESSION BY SOME INTELLECTUALS IN
FRIENDLY NATIONS, INCLUDING US. HOPES AMERICANS CAN UNDER-
STAND "CHRONIC DILEMMA" FACING SK.

12. INDOCHINA

PHINQ OBSERVES VN REUNIFICATION, FINDS IT NOT SURPRISING.
OPINES CONSOLIDATION UNDER COMMUNISM INEVITABLE LONGER THAN
MANY WILLING CONCEDE. FINDS UNIFICATION UNDER CIRCUM-
STANCES NO OCCASION FOR REJOICING IN US. CONCLUDES ONLY
TIME WILL TELL WHETHER LESSONS OF "MISADVENTURE" IN SEA
LEARNED. ADDS OUR VITAL INTERESTS NEVER AT STAKE IN VN,
NATL SECURITY NOT DIMINISHED BY CONSOLIDATION VN.

13. PHILIPPINES

REUTER'S BICKLER (MANILA) SAYS GOP BELIEVED ANXIOUS AVOID
US CONGRESS TRYING IMPOSE POL CONDITIONS ON ANY NEW BASES
AGREEMENT. CONCERN REFLECTED IN OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY ART-
ICLE THAT NOTES NEW AGREEMENT THAT INVOLVED LONG-TERM BUD-
GET COMMITMENT WOULD HAVE TO GO BEFORE SENATE. ARTICLE
PUBLICATION SEEN AS PART OF CAMPAIGN TO FIX MANILA'S CASE
IN PUBLIC EYES; MARCOS SENSITIVE TO SCRUTINY THAT SENATE
DISCUSSION OF NEW AGREEMENT COULD BRING. ANOTHER ARTICLE
POINTS OUT PHILS, DESPITE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH US,
RANKS ONLY 18TH AMONG 100 COUNTRIES THAT RECEIVED US AID
IN PAST 30 YRS.

14. PACIFIC ISLANDS

NYT SEES FIRST BITTER FRUIT OF US' SPLITTING OFF N MARIANAS FROM TRUST TERRITORY SHOWING UP IN US TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, WHERE DELS FROM MARSHALLS, PALAUS ARRIVE ASKING EVENTUAL INDEPENDENCE, IMMEDIATE SEPARATION FROM POORER ISLAND
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NEIGHBORS. BLAMES STRONG DOD INFLUCENCE FOR ADMIN'S ENCOURAGING N MARIANAS ACCEPT COMMONWEALTH STATUS. FINDS US TRUSTEESHIP RECORD "NOT NOBLE," THO IN RECENT YRS ATTEMPT MADE STAKE-OUT EVOLUTION THAT WOULD LEAVE ISLANDS VIABLE, AUTONOMOUS BUT ASSOCIATED WITH US. POINTS TO PLEBISCITE TO BE HELD IN ISLANDS UNDER NEW COMPACT. BELIEVES WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER IF N MARIANAS INCLUDED, BUT SINCE TOO LATE UNDO POLITICAL BLUNDER, THINKS MARSHALLS, PALAUS SEPARATIST SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED FRAGMENT MICRONESIA FURTHER.

15. JAPAN

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP 7/5) STATE FIRMS DOING BUSINESS IN WASHINGTON SELDOM RESORT TO ANYTHING SO GROSS AS BRIBING

PUBLIC OFFICIALS: INSTEAD, SEEK INSTILL SENSE OF PERSONAL OBLIGATION BY SERIES OF SMALL FAVORS. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN AEROJET GENERAL WANTED SELL TWO MILLION DOLS WORTH ROCKET EQUIPMENT TO JAPANESE FIRM, SUDDENLY SOUGHT OUT OBSCURE DOS OFFICIAL, WHO REVIEWS APPLICATION FOR NECESSARY EXPORT LICENSE. WINED/DINED HIM AND WIFE, OFFERED HIM SCARCE RED-SKINS' TICKETS, INVITED HIM TO CHRISTMAS PARTY. CITE DENIA BY OFFICIAL, AND AERO JET EXEC, OF ANY WRONGFUL INTENT.

TOM STEVENSON (WP 7/4) PREVIEWS DEDICATION OF NATIONAL BONSAI COLLECTION BICENTENNIAL GIFT FROM JAPANESE PEOPLE SCHEDULED FRIDAY AT NATL ARBORETUM. COLLECTION OF 53 RARE/PRICELESS TREES OPEN TO PUBLIC JULY 9.

NYT, WP, CHITRIB, HOUSTON POST, DENVER POST, SF SUNDAY EXAMINER & CHRONICLE, LAT, HONOLULU SUNDAY STAR BULLETIN & ADVERTISER (ALL 7/4) CARRY 32-PAGE FULL-COLOR ADVERTISING SUPPLEMENT, "JAPAN SALUTES AMERICA ON ITS BICENTENNIAL." CONTAINS GREETINGS BY PRES FORD, PM MIKI, ARTICLES ON US-JAPAN RELATIONS, IMPACT OF US IDEALS ON JAPAN, BY REISCHAU MASAO KUNIHIRO, FORMER AMB USHIBA, OTHERS. HIGHLIGHTS "CULCON: A LINK FOR UNDERSTANDING."

16. AUSTRALIA/JAPAN

JOC'S STOVE, IN SYDNEY, REVIEWS NEW GOA PLAN THAT WILL GIVE
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TWO JAPANESE "GIANTS" GREATER SHARE AUSSIE AUTO MARKET. WILL MEAN GREATER COMPETITION FOR US BIG-THREE. REPLACES PLAN GOA ANNOUNCED RECENTLY AS MARCH 30; BUT WITH INCREASING ECON DEPENDENCE ON JAPAN, AUSTRALIA COULD NOT IGNORE NISSAN/TOYOTA DEMANDS FOR BIGGER SHARE OF MARKET.

17. CHINA

WP (7/3) CARRIES COLUMNISTS' ANALYSIS CARTER/HAK FOPOLICY VIEWS. BRADEN FINDS THEM SIMILAR, SO "WE SHALL BE SPARED NONSENSICAL DEBATES" SUCH JFK/NIXON ENGAGED IN OVER QUEMOY/MATSU. FRICHEY NOTES CARTER, IN RECENT FOREIGN POLICY ASSN SPEECH, INDICATED HE WOULD EMULATE JAPAN, SWITCH US EMBASSY FROM TAIWAN TO PEKING.

COPLEY'S NEILAN (6/28) REPORTS RECENT REPLY FROM CARTER HQ ON CANDIDATE'S CHINA POLICY VIEWS WHICH "MAY QUALIFY FOR THE PULITZER PRIZE FOR AMBIGUITY: "GOV CARTER FEELS IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO STRENGTHEN TIES BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES AS LONG AS RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND TAIWAN ARE NOT THREATENED." COPLEY SAYS THIS SOULD SATISFY EVERYONE, NO MATTER WHO LISTENER IS, AND HOPES SOMETIME BEFORE ELECTION US PUBLIC CAN HEAR FULL-DRESS FOPOLICY DEBATE BETWEEN GOP/DEM CANDIDATES (SAN DIEGO UNION). IN 6/26 SDU COLUMN, NEILAN EXAMINED WHAT POST-MAO PRC WILL BE LIKE; CONCLUDED WITH CONCURRENCE IN HAK'S VIEW THAT "ANYONE WHO MAKES PREDICTIONS ABOUT CHINA IS EITHER A FOOL OR A LIAR."

IN HK, WP'S MATHEWS (7/4) OBSERVES THAT DIFFERING WAYS PRC NEWSPAPERS/RADIO COMMENTATORS HAVE PRAISED COUNTRY'S URBAN MILITIA OVER LAST SEVERAL WEEKS SHOW HOW NATIONWIDE POLITICAL DEBATE CONTINUES BUBBLING WITHOUT ACTUALLY COMING TO BOIL.

WSTAR'S BRADHER (7/2) NOTES PRC STATEMENT ON 55TH CCP PARTY ANNIVERSARY THAT COMMUNISM NOT YET REALIZED IN COUNTRY, AND THAT ANTI-COMMUNIST ELEMENTS CONTINUE EXIST. AGREES THERE IS EVIDENCE OF MODERATE ADMINISTRATORS BEING ANGRY WITH MAO FOR THROWING INFLUENCE BEHIND RADICAL EFFORTS SEIZE CONTROL OF NATION'S MANAGEMENT.

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SAYS SOME OTHER GROUPS, INCLUDING MANY PLA LEADERS AND BULK POPULATION, SO FAR SEEM STANDING OUTSIDE STRUGGLE, BUT WILL BE CRITICAL TO EVENTUAL OUTCOME.

NATIONAL REVIEW'S BURNHAM (7/9) SAYS OVER JUNE 4-6 WEEKEND HE TOOK PART IN LONDON CONFERENCE OF ABOUT 35 PERSONS UNDER SPONSORSHIP INSTITUTE FOR STUDY OF CONFLICT, ON TOPIC: "COMMUNICATING THE SOVIET THREAT." RECALLS NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS SPOKE IN FAVOR OF MORE GENEROUS TRADE WITH PRC; SOME ARGUED THAT WEST SHOULD, WITHIN LIMITS, EXPORT WEAPONS, OTHER MIL EQUIPMENT, TO PEKING; NONE BELIEVED PRC COULD BE INDEPENDENTLY STRATEGIC THREAT TO WEST FOR ANOTHER GENERATION.

CITING MAAG DEPARTURE QUEMOY/MATSU, PHILA BULL (7/1) "HAD ALMOST FORGOTTEN" ISLANDS WERE THREE. SEEING POSSIBLE FORD-REAGAN CONTROVERSY OVER TAIWAN ISSUE, SUGGESTS "MAY BE THAT'S WHY THE OFFICIAL 'ORD ON WITHDRAWING ADVISORS ...WAS A BIT ON THE VAGUE SIDE AT FIRST."

NORFOLK VIRGINIAN-PILOT (6/26) SAYS NEWS OF MAAG WITHDRAWAL TAIWAN IS SURPRISING ONLY IN SENSE ADVISERS STILL THERE TO BE WITHDRAWN. MERE MENTION OF QUEMOY/MATSU EVOKES FEELING OF DEJA VU IN LIGHT OF US POLICY TODAY. ISLANDS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN IN ANOTHER WORLD, AND PERHAPS THEY WERE.

GLOBE, CITING NUMBER OF "QUINTESSENTIALLY POLITICAL DISPUTES" TO BE SETTLED BEFORE OLYMPICS BEGINS, CONCLUDES CANADA "IMPROPERLY SIDED" WITH PRC IN OPPOSING ROC PARTICIPATION.

IN LETTER TO NYT, JC GRAHAM, FORMER MEMBER BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES, CIA, WRITES THAT ALLEN WHITING 6/21 ARTICLE OVERSTATED INTENSITY OF PEKING'S IRRITATION WITH US ON TAIWAN ISSUE AND UNDERESTIMATED OBSTACLES TO ANY SERIOUS CHINESE MOVE TOWARD USSR. SAYS ON TAIWAN ISSUE, NYT 6/17 WAS MUCH CLOSER MARK, BUT EDITORS COULD HAVE ADDED THAT PEKING'S ATTITUDE MAY ALSO BE CONDITIONED BY FEAR CHINATS MIGHT TURN UNCLASSIFIED

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TO SOVIET FOR PROTECTION IF CAST ADRIFT BY US.

AT KAOHSIUNG, NYT'S SHAPIRO (7/3 SAYS HUGE, NEW SHIPYARD OF CHINA SHIPBUILDING CORP THERE IS BEING HAILED AS SYMBOL OF ROC'S ECON MODERNIZATION.

IN TAIPEI, CSM'S ARMBRUSTER FINDS SMALL GROUP US-EDUCATED WOMEN WRITERS HAS LAUNCHED ATTACK AGAINST TRADITIONAL CHINESE MALE CHAUVINISM. THEIR MOST SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT SO FAR WAS LATE APRIL DEBUT

OF PIONEER PUBLISHING HOUSE WITH FIVE BOOKS ON SUBJECT.
FIRM INTENDS COME OUT WITH NEW BOOK LATER THIS YEAR
DEALING WITH STATUS FEMALE WORKERS, FARMERS, PROSTITUTES
IN ROC. OBSERVES NO PLANS TO ORGANIZE, HOWEVER, SINCE
GOVT WOULD NOT BE LIKELY LOOK WITH FAVOR UPON ANY
SUCH ACTIVITIES. ROBINSON

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